IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH AT HYDERABAD

THE HON'BLE Mr. JUSTICE R. SUBHASH REDDY

Writ Petition No.18762 of 1997

Dated: September 5, 2006

Between:

Miss. Seema Firdouse, D/o. Sri M.A. Rasheed,
aged 26 years, R/o. Sarangapur, NCSF Colony,
Nizamabad District, and another.

… Petitioner

And

Commissioner and Director of School Education,
A.P., Hyderabad, and others.

… Respondents

Order:

Petitioners, by this writ petition, seek Mandamus to direct the respondents to produce their answer papers with regard to Secondary Grade Teachers examination held in the year 1997 and to revaluate and re-total them.

2. In the affidavit filed in support of the writ petition, it is stated that pursuant to the advertisement dated 28-05-1997 issued by the first

respondent, petitioners have submitted their application for the post of Secondary Grade Teachers (Urdu) and wrote examination on 12-07-1997. Their case is that even though they have fared well in the said examination, their names were not found in the list of eligible candidates. As such, they seek direction for production of those answer scripts and revaluation.

3. Though counter affidavit has not been filed, learned Government Pleader appearing for the respondents submits that valuation of the answer scripts was done by way of Optical Scanning by computers under the supervision of the Director, SCERT, A.P., Hyderabad and there is no possibility of errors in the valuation. He further submits that pursuant to the notification, candidates were called for interview and the vacancies have also been filled up.

4. It is very well settled that revaluation cannot be directed to be done in the absence of any such provision in the academic regulations. Merely because the petitioners did not secure marks as per their assessment, that by itself is no ground to order revaluation. Mere expectation of the candidates is not the criterion for awarding marks. Moreover, it is stated that pursuant to the notification, vacancies have already been filled up. Hence, no direction as sought for can be given at this stage.

5. The writ petition is devoid of merits and is accordingly dismissed without any order as to costs.

JUSTICE R. SUBHASH REDDY.

September 5, 2006
MRR